

TITLE 4: BUSINESS AND SPECIAL LICENSES, REGULATIONS

DIVISION 1: BUSINESS LICENSES AND REGULATIONS

Chapter 8: POOL AND BILLIARD HALLS.

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41.081 Definition of Person.

As used in this chapter, "person" shall mean any person, company, firm, corporation, copartnership, group or association of persons.

Adopted Ordinance #592 (1947); Amended Ordinance #1007 (1962); Amended Ordinance #1097 (1963);
Amended Ordinance #1117 (1963);

41.082 License Required.

It shall be unlawful for any person to engage in the business of operating or conducting a billiard hall or pool room in the County of San Bernardino, State of California, outside of municipal corporations, without first obtaining a license so to do, as in this chapter so provided.

Adopted Ordinance #592 (1947); Amended Ordinance #1007 (1962); Amended Ordinance #1097 (1963);
Amended Ordinance #1117 (1963);

41.083 License Fee; Application - Content.

The license fee for engaging in the business of operating or conducting a billiard hall or pool room shall be six dollars (\$6) per quarter, payable quarterly in advance on the first day of January, first day of April, first day of July, and the first day of October of each and every year. Any person desiring to obtain a license to operate or conduct the business of a billiard hall or a pool room in the said County of San Bernardino, State of California, and outside of municipal corporations shall make application for the license therefor in writing to the Tax Collector of the County of San Bernardino, stating in such application where it is intended to conduct or operate said business, describing the location thereof sufficiently for identification and the names of all owners of such business. Upon receiving such application and the payment to him of the amount of the license for the current quarter, the Tax Collector shall, after said application has been approved by the Board of Supervisors of said County, issue to said person a license to engage in the business of operating or conducting a billiard hall or pool room at the place so designated in said application. The Board of Supervisors may refuse to grant any such license, if, in the opinion of a majority of the Board, the establishing and maintaining of a billiard hall or pool room at the designated location would be contrary to the public welfare of the community wherein the applicant desires to establish and maintain such billiard hall or pool room.

Adopted Ordinance #592 (1947); Amended Ordinance #1007 (1962); Amended Ordinance #1097 (1963);
Amended Ordinance #1117 (1963);

41.083a Special Licensing Requirements.

A licensee or applicant may apply for a special license which may be granted upon such conditions or restrictions as the Board may determine including age limits, business hours or conditions of premises. The Board shall consider a report of the Sheriff, factors of location, area per table, cleanliness, amount of lighting in the premises, visibility of interior from the street or other portion of premises if connected with other recreational activities, type of management of such establishment, provisions for spectators or non-playing guests. The Board may also promulgate regulations regarding such factors. Except as contained in the special license conditions or such regulations, the licensee shall be subject to the provisions of this chapter. If any license condition, regulation, or provision of this section or this chapter is violated, the special license may be revoked after a hearing before the Board. The fee for special license is sixty dollars (\$60) per year which shall include that fee specified in Section 41.083.

Adopted Ordinance #592 (1947); Amended Ordinance #1007 (1962); Amended Ordinance #1097 (1963);
Amended Ordinance #1117 (1963);

41.084 Gambling Prohibited.

It shall be unlawful for any person engaging in the business of operating or conducting a billiard hall or pool room within the County of San Bernardino, State of California, outside of municipal corporations, to permit or allow any gambling, or to have, use, permit or allow any punch board or gambling device in or about said billiard hall or pool room.

Adopted Ordinance #592 (1947); Amended Ordinance #1007 (1962); Amended Ordinance #1097 (1963);
Amended Ordinance #1117 (1963);

41.085 Serving of Alcoholic Beverages Prohibited.

It shall be unlawful for any person engaged in the business of operating or conducting a billiard hall or pool room to sell, furnish, give away or permit anyone in his employ or any other person to sell, furnish or give away any distilled spirits or wine as defined in the Alcoholic Beverage Control Act of the State of California, or to engage in the business of operating or conducting a billiard hall or pool room in any room or place in which distilled spirits or wine, as defined in said Alcoholic Beverage Control Act, are kept, stored, sold, furnished, consumed or given away.

Adopted Ordinance #592 (1947); Amended Ordinance #1007 (1962); Amended Ordinance #1097 (1963);
Amended Ordinance #1117 (1963);

41.086 Business Hours.

It shall be unlawful for any person engaged in the business of operating or conducting a billiard hall or pool room within the County of San Bernardino, State of California, outside of municipal corporations to open, keep open or permit to be open or kept open, any such billiard hall or pool room between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 6:00 in the morning.

Adopted Ordinance #592 (1947); Amended Ordinance #1007 (1962); Amended Ordinance #1097 (1963);
Amended Ordinance #1117 (1963);

41.087 Exclusion of Persons Under 18 Years of Age.

It shall be unlawful for any person engaged in the business of operating or conducting a billiard hall or pool room within the County of San Bernardino, State of California, outside of municipal corporations, or any employee or agent of such person, to permit or allow any person under the age of eighteen (18) years to be or remain in any such billiard hall or pool room.

Adopted Ordinance #592 (1947); Amended Ordinance #1007 (1962); Amended Ordinance #1097 (1963);
Amended Ordinance #1117 (1963);

41.088 Requirement That the Interior of the Premises be Visible From the Street.

It shall be unlawful for any person to engage in the business of operating or conducting any billiard hall or pool room in any hall, room or place within the County of San Bernardino, State of California, outside of municipal corporations, unless such hall, room or place shall have at least one door or one window through which the public may at all times see the entire interior of any such hall, room or place during the day time, and where any light is therein at night time, and no obstruction of any kind whatever shall be permitted that will obstruct such view.

Adopted Ordinance #592 (1947); Amended Ordinance #1007 (1962); Amended Ordinance #1097 (1963);
Amended Ordinance #1117 (1963);

41.089 Revocation of License; Hearing Required; Rules and Regulations

The Board of Supervisors may, as hereinafter in this chapter provided, revoke any license granted under the terms of this chapter, to-wit:

Said Board may revoke any such license upon the petition in writing of any citizen and resident of said County, where such petition is filed with said Board, setting forth that any of the terms and conditions of this chapter has been violated, and particularly setting forth wherein the same has been violated.

Said Board may revoke any such license upon the petition of any citizen and resident of said County, setting forth that such billiard hall or pool room is being conducted in a disorderly or disgraceful manner or in a manner detrimental to the public morals, or in any manner disturbing to the peace and quiet of the neighborhood in which such billiard hall or pool room is situated.

Said Board may revoke any such license upon a petition signed by a majority of the registered voters residing in the voting precinct in which any such billiard hall or pool room may be situated, setting forth that any such billiard hall or pool room is undesirable and is obnoxious to the people of the community in which the same is situated.

Upon presentation or any petition for the revocation of license, upon any of the grounds above mentioned, the Board shall set a date when such petition shall be heard by the Board, and shall cause ten (10) days personal notice to be served upon the holder of such license, notifying him to appear at the time and place so fixed for such hearing and show cause, if any he has, why such license should not be revoked. If the holder of the license shall at the time the notice is served be absent from the place where such billiard hall or pool room is conducted, a copy of the notice delivered to the person in charge of the billiard hall or pool room shall be sufficient notice to such license holder of the time and place where such petition is to be heard.

If at such hearing a majority of said Board of Supervisors is satisfied that any of the conditions of this chapter have been violated or that such billiard hall or pool room is being conducted or carried on in a disorderly or disgraceful manner or in a manner that is detrimental to public morals, or that the continued existence and operation of such billiard hall or pool room is obnoxious to a majority of the residents of the community in which the same is situated, or that the same is being conducted in a manner disturbing to the peace and quiet of the neighborhood in which the same is situated, such license shall be revoked, and no license shall thereafter for a period of one (1) year, be granted to the person whose license has been so revoked, nor shall any other person, during such a year, be granted a license to conduct or carry on a billiard hall or pool room in the same building in which the billiard hall or pool room was situated and for which license had been so revoked.

Adopted Ordinance #592 (1947); Amended Ordinance #1007 (1962); Amended Ordinance #1097 (1963);
Amended Ordinance #1117 (1963);

41.0810 Exemptions.

This chapter shall not apply to any *bona fide* lodge, club, society, veterans' organization or similar group having one or more billiard tables or pool tables on their private premises solely for the amusement and entertainment of their members and guests, and where no fee is charged for the use of such billiard tables or pool tables and the use of such tables is not open to the public.

Adopted Ordinance #592 (1947); Amended Ordinance #1007 (1962); Amended Ordinance #1097 (1963);
Amended Ordinance #1117 (1963);